

**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:**

1) A hanger comprising:

- a hanging element;
- a shaft having a top end and a bottom end, the hanging element disposed on the top end of the shaft;
- a support element disposed on the bottom end of the shaft and extending outwardly therefrom to provide a support base;

wherein an article may be rolled around the shaft to form a cylinder, whereby the base supports the article in a vertical position.

2) The hanger as defined in claim 1, wherein the support element is ring shaped.

3) The hanger as defined in claim 1, wherein the support element is a solid disk.

4) The hanger as defined in claim 1, wherein the support element is pivotally connected to the shaft and the support element pivoting between a first position approximately parallel to the shaft and a second position approximately perpendicular to the shaft.

5) The hanger as defined in claim 4, wherein the pivotally connected support element comprises a notch dimensioned to receive the shaft.

6) The hanger as defined in claim 1, further comprising a header element, wherein the header element is disposed on the shaft between the hanging element and the article.

1           7)       The hanger as defined in claim 6, wherein the header element is trapezoidal in  
2   cross section.

1           8)       The hanger as defined in claim 6, wherein the header element is rectangular in  
2   cross section.

1           9)     The hanger as defined in claim 1, further comprising a strap encircling the  
2     article.